

Marshfield Planning Commission

Thursday, October 13th, 2016

Members Present: Jon Groveman, Robert Light(Z.A), Michael Schumacher, Melissa Seifert, Ivan Shadis, Faeterri Silver

Meeting opened at 7:00pm

1. Approve minutes.

Jon Groveman says that the Town Clerk asks draft minutes be published promptly by the Planning Commission.

The September 19th minutes are unanimously approved.

2. Alternative to fill in for Design Review Board meeting.

Michael Schumacher has recused himself from an upcoming Development Review Board meeting. Faeterri Silver volunteers to serve as an alternative for that meeting and will tell the Town Clerk.

3. Reports.

The Zoning Administrator reports that a new hearing related to the Hollister Hill apartment complex has been warned.

Z.A reports on receiving complaints of an unpermitted business operating. The business owner has applied for permits under Z.As advisement.

Ivan Shadis reports that he was unable to attend the most recent Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission meeting due to a work conflict. He will watch the video taken of the meeting and report back to the P.C.

Members of the Planning Commission express an interest in being kept up to date on the activity of the CVRPC executive committee.

Faeterri Silver reports that she will attend a planning workshop on November 2nd.

4. Village Designation, Municipal Planning Grant, and the meeting with the Conservation Commission.

Jon Groveman says that he intended to attend the meeting with the Conservation Commission but was unable to because of a family emergency. He was also not able to complete the application for the Village Designation to meet deadline because of the emergency.

Melissa Seifert was able to attend the meeting with the Conservation Commission and says good ideas were presented on how to foster community participation.

The P.C feels unprepared to apply for a Municipal Grant and will forego applying this year.

The C.C is free to apply for the Municipal Grant without coming into conflict with the interests of the P.C. Jon Groveman has talked with the C.C about this.

Ivan Shadis says the he received a list of possible funding sources for the C.C's project from Bonnie Waninger of CVRPC and will forward this to the C.C

5. Planning Commission Clerk Position.

The P.C feels that because of the strictness of state mandated reporting rules, and the intensity of the work for the secretary when the P.C is drafting new zoning, the position of secretary should be paid. Jon Groveman will take this up with the Selectboard at their next meeting and ask that an ad be put out seeking a secretary.

6. Work load

Given the limited amount of time P.C members have to do P.C work we should adopt a realistic scope of work.

The P.C will focus on updating the Town Plan.

The time of the next meeting of the P.C is set for Oct. 20 at 6:30 pm and P.C meetings will thereafter be held at 6:30 instead of 7:00. Jon Groveman will tell the Town Clerk.

The meeting is adjourned at 8:30

Respectfully Submitted,

Ivan Shadis